

# THE BEST CELLARS BLUSH FOR THE BRIDE

SUMMER invariably means wedding season.

They obviously go on all year round but there's nothing like a balmy summer's day for that picture-perfect wedding on the lawn with a marquee, beautiful flowers everywhere and not a drop of rain — well, at least that's how it is in the movies and magazines.

It's a slightly different scenario in good old Northern Ireland but that doesn't stop us tying the knot in style at some very beautiful locations and always with a contingency plan if the weather doesn't play ball.

We are lucky enough to have already been invited to some brilliant weddings of late with another coming up this week — we do love a good wedding!



Having just got married ourselves a whole year-and-a-half ago, we also know exactly how much work goes into the big day and take in much more detail than we maybe wouldn't have noticed before.

My only annoyance is when well meaning and proud families feel they have to serve the best champagne at weddings to impress the guests, when there are some fabulous sparkling wines out there with the perfect wow! factor.

Griffith Park is a prime example. These Australian sparklers have been winning awards and medals left, right and centre, as well as recommendations from world famous wine buffs (and me!).

Griffith Park Sparking Rose is a delight in a glass. With fine, elegant bubbles, it's a beautiful vibrant pink and brimming over with raspberry and strawberry aromas and flavours. A perfect pink to toast any bride and groom and very de rigueur with a strawberry popped in the glass.

Griffith Park Sparking Brut is more zingy in style, fresh citrusy aromas and flavours but with a lovely depth and creaminess to finish. Who needs champagne? These Aussie winners are available from Asda stores, normally £7.13, but currently on promo at £4.93 — chill and enjoy!

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